ANNOUNCEMENT
OF VISITING DAYS AT THE RANCHO SANTA ANA BOTANIC GARDEN

For the Spring Season of 1937

Mrs. Susanna Bixby Bryant, Managing Director of the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden of the Native Plants of California in the Santa Ana Canyon, Orange County, announces the opening of the Botanic Garden to visitors on Friday, April 2, 1937 and every Friday thereafter during the months of April, May and June. Hours 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Visitors are admitted to the Botanic Garden by card only, to be obtained by writing to the Administration Building, Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden, R. F. D. No. 3, Box 327, Anaheim, California, enclosing self-addressed, stamped envelope. Please state the number of cars and persons in each party, with choice of two dates if possible. Only a limited number of cards are issued for each day, therefore reservations should be made early. There is no charge of admission.

Visitors wishing to bring picnic luncheons may reserve tables and benches in the picnic grounds.

In the Orange County Plant Sanctuary about five acres have been set aside for the growing plants native of Orange County, in keeping with similar projects sponsored by Garden Clubs throughout the Country. Adjacent to the Plant Sanctuary are two acres of seed beds where over one hundred different kinds of wild flowers are grown annually, from seeds gathered by the Garden Botanists from all sections of California. Each variety is labelled and can be seen close at hand. By the gradual accumulation of quantities of seeds harvested from these seed beds each season a number of selected plantings will be made in which masses of flowers adapted to cultivated gardens can be grown to demonstrate the beauty of our native flora.

The Garden Staff is working on these "Special Gardens" this season, and the first one laid out is the Cactus and Succulent garden to the south of the Herbarium where all California native cacti and many succulents are growing—interspersed with a collection of colorful desert annuals, perennials, shrubs and plants that will readily adapt themselves to garden culture.

On a hillside slope within view of the Administration Building there is also a four acre plot planted to an unusually fine strain of California poppies. Germination has been excellent in the field, and the poppies should be a wonderful sight when in bloom.

Due to the abundant rains there is every indication that there will be a great profusion of all kinds of wild flowers, although the blossoming season will be late on account of prolonged cold weather.

On every Vistiors' Day there is a wild flower exhibit in a section of the Propagating Nursery. It is our purpose to have on display every kind of flower in bloom at the Botanic Garden and nearby hills and mountains. Each variety is labelled and special information about the plant is given.

AT 2:15 P.M. A MEMBER OF THE GARDEN STAFF WILL GIVE A SHORT, INFORMAL TALK IN THE HERBARIUM ON SOME SPECIAL PHASE OF THE CALIFORNIA FLORA OR A PARTICULARLY INTERESTING PLANT.